

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

Executive Department State of Idaho State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, working women constitute 62.7 million of the nation's work force and strive to serve their communities, their states and their nation in professional, civic and cultural capacities; and

WHEREAS, women-owned businesses account for over one-third of all firms in the country and provide employment for one out of every four U.S. workers; and

WHEREAS, major goals of business and professional women are to promote equality for all women and to help create better conditions for business women through the study of social, educational, economic and political problems; and

WHEREAS, all of us are proud of their leadership in these many fields of endeavor;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim October 19 through 25, 2003, to be

BUSINESS WOMEN'S WEEK

in Idaho, and urge all Idahoans to join this salute to working women by encouraging and promoting the celebration of the achievements of all business and professional women as they contribute daily to our economic, civic and cultural purposes.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this seventeenth day of October in the year of our Lord two-thousand and three and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-eighth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred fourteenth.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE GOVERNOR

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